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CONTRACT REOPENERS

Spring means it is Contract Reopeners time. For the Librarians, the Union has opened the Concerted Activities article, which severely limits our right to strike or engage in other concerted activities. The University has opened the Salary article. We expect nefarious proposals from them and need to show them that we are NOT going to accept the announced plan of the University to sever our traditional connection to the Senate faculty in terms of Cost of Living Adjustments. No bargaining sessions have been scheduled as of this date. SUPPORT YOUR UNION!!! JOIN NOW!!!

--Miki Goral

INTERNET SITES FOR LABOR INFO.

Issues of the Labor Center Reporter, a list of publications and coming events are available online on the Labor Center's new gopher.

Address: violet.berkeley.edu 2521

The Economic Democracy Information Network (EDIN)gopher, run by the Center for Community Economic Research is also available via gopher Address: gamet.berkeley.edu 1250

LIBRARIAN GRIEVANCE UPDATE

As reported at length in the previous UC-AFT Newsletter, Dec. 1994, a grievance was filed past summer on behalf of librarians in the Research Services and Collection Development (RSCD) Dept. of the Library. This is the unit responsible for Main/Moffitt collections and reference services. After a very unproductive and unpleasant meeting on Sept. 30 with Labor Relations and the Library administration, it was clear that Library administration was not interested in discussing with librarians or UC-AFT the issues of the grievance: punitive reassignments; lack of viable job descriptions and responsibilities; unfair and arbitrary treatment; and workload problems.

After several conversations with Labor Relations, extensions of deadlines, requests for meetings with the new University Librarian, Peter Lyman, it is now out intention to move the grievance forward to a Step 3 (Appeal) meeting.

As librarians within RSCD we are very concerned about the effects of the decisions and reassignments addressed in the grievance. English language selection responsibilities for the entire Main/Moffit complex have been reduced to only three librarians who also have other responsibilities. Reference service has been greatly reduced this Spring in Moffitt (the reference desk closes at 5pm M-F), the General Reference Desk now closes at 7pm M-Th and is closed entirely on Sundays. Yet librarians with experience and expertise in selection and reference have either been shunted from this work or totally overloaded.

If you are interested in more information about this grievance, please contact your local grievance officer.

CAMPUS COALITIONS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

On March 16, a coalition of groups fighting against Proposition 187, the anti- affirmative action initiative, three-strikes and the state budget crisis, met to form the Berkeley chapter of Campus Coalitions for Human Rights and Social Justice.

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AFT Local 1474 is a part of this coalition. The coalition is dedicated to insuring that faculty, staff and students work together to stop the right wing onslaught against human rights. Other UC, CSU and community college campuses have also formed chapters of the Coalition. If you are interested in working with this coalition, call Anders Schneiderman or Nathan Newman at the Center for Community Economic Research, 510-643-8293 or send email to: ccer@violet.berkeley.edu.

Formal call for a NATIONAL DAY OF CAMPUS ACTION on March 29, 1995 against the proposed CONTRACT WITH AMERICA

You may subscribe to a discussion list on campus action in support of the call by sending an email message to canet@pencil.cs.missouri.edu. In the body of your message, type:

sub can-rw yourfirstname yourlastname -- Discussion of Entire Contract

sub can-er yourfirstname yourlastname -- Discussion of Student Aid Issue On

An organizing packet is available at: cwa@pencil.cs.missouri.edu.

The latest endorsers are available at: call@pencil.cs.missouri.edu

Just send any email message to these addresses and the document will be mailed back to you.

WANTED: UNIT 18 (LECTURER) **GRIEVANCE OFFICER**

Local 1474 is looking for a Lecturer to become the Grievance Officer for Lecturers at the Berkeley campus. REQUIRED: Interest in and enthusiasm for learning about your contract, answering questions and representing your fellow lecturers in their employment relationship. Training is provided. Please contact Maureen Katz or Betty Szudy for more information

UC BUDGET

AFT member Charlie Schwartz produces periodic updates and analysis about the UC budget. Are you interested in reading a different perspective on how the UC budget impacts workers and students at UC? Contact Charlie Schwartzi at (510) 642-4427 or through e-mail at Schwartz@physics.berkeley.edu. You can request a recent budget update or the entire series.

DATEBOOK:

March 29: National Day of Campus Action Against the "Contract With America" For information contact kowan@ai.mit.edu

April 1-2 California Federation of Teachers, Claremont Hotel, Oakland CA.

April 21-23: AFT National Higher Education Issues Conference, Boston, MA "What Higher Education Unions Need to Do in Today's Political Environment." April 29: Organizing Conference, Campus Coalitions for Human Rights and Social Justice (See article for information)

May 22-24: California Labor Federation legislative conference.

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REAPPOINTMENT ALERT

LECTURERS & OTHER NON-SENATE FACULTY MEMBERS PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

If you have less than six years of service at your campus as a Non-Senate Faculty member and you wish to continue working, we urge you to apply for your position, in writing, to your chair or program head. Send the letter certified mail, return receipt requested and keep a copy for yourself in a safe place.

For detailed information, please read the Appointments Article (VII) in your union contract and note that the criteria are "demonstrated *competence* in the field" and "demonstrated *ability* in teaching and other assigned duties which may include University co-curricular and community service."

If you are currently working under a three-year appointment, you are *entitled* to a review for another three-year agreement. Please note that the two criteria used for your initial three year appointment-instructional need and excellence-remain the same.

PLEASE CALL US IF YOU ARE HAVING JOB-RELATED PROBLEMS.

If you are experiencing job-related difficulties or you feel you are being unfairly singled out or treated unusually, please contact the faculty member or librarian below who is on your campus and acts as either your union representative or grievance officer.

UC-AFT LOCAL CONTACTS

BERKELEY: MAUREEN KATZ, HEALTH/MEDICAL SCIENCES

DAVIS: KEVIN RODDY, MEDIEVAL STUDIES IRVINE: APRIL LOVE, SCIENCE LIBRARY

LOS ANGELES: SUSAN GRIFFIN, WRITING PROGRAMS

RIVERSIDE: BARBARA BENNETT ROVAN, MUSIC

SANTA BARBARA: JOHN HAGERTY, WRITING PROGRAMS

SANTA CRUZ: TIM FITZMAURICE, CROWN COLLEGE

SAN DIEGO: FRED LONIDIER, VISUAL ARTS

If you are not a member of University Council-American Federation of Teachers, we urge you to join us. Please use the form on the reverse side of this notice.